



# County of Los Angeles CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE

713 KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION  
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012  
(213) 974-1101  
<http://ceo.lacounty.gov>

WILLIAM T FUJIOKA  
Chief Executive Officer

Board of Supervisors  
GLORIA MOLINA  
First District

YVONNE B. BURKE  
Second District

ZEV YAROSLAVSKY  
Third District

DON KNABE  
Fourth District

MICHAEL D. ANTONOVICH  
Fifth District

February 22, 2008

To: Supervisor Yvonne B. Burke, Chair  
Supervisor Gloria Molina  
Supervisor Zev Yaroslavsky  
Supervisor Don Knabe  
Supervisor Michael D. Antonovich

From: William T Fujioka  
Chief Executive Officer

## SACRAMENTO UPDATE

### Pursuit of County Position on Legislation

**AB 1491 (Jones)**, as amended on February 21, 2008, would extend the deadlines for the transfer of responsibility for court facilities from the counties to the State Judicial Council through December 31, 2009. For facilities that transfer after September 30, 2008, the transferring county would be required to pay the normal County Facility Payment to the State plus a penalty linked to an annual inflation index on an ongoing basis. On or after April 1, 2009, the penalty would increase. At this time, we anticipate that all County court facilities will be completed prior to the imposition of the penalty provisions.

Support for AB 1491 is consistent with **County-supported SB 145 (Corbett)**, and **AB 1491 (Benoit)** from 2007 which did not pass the legislature. These nearly identical bills would have extended the deadline for the transfer of trial court facilities from the counties to the State Judicial Council from June 30, 2007 to December 31, 2008. SB 145 and AB 1491 would have required counties to pay the State an additional inflation adjustment on the County Facility Payment when transfer agreements were executed between January 1, 2008 and June 30, 2008. Support for AB 1491 also is consistent with Board policy to support measures that promote the transfer of trial court facilities to the State in an efficient and fiscally neutral manner. Therefore **our Sacramento advocates will pursue the passage of AB 1491**. The bill is scheduled

Each Supervisor  
February 22, 2008  
Page 2

for a hearing in the Senate Judiciary Committee on February 26, 2008. Although there is no registered support or opposition, we understand that the legislation is supported by the California State Association of Counties and the Urban Counties Caucus.

We will continue to keep you advised.

WTF:GK  
MAL:hg

c: All Department Heads  
Legislative Strategist  
Local 721  
Coalition of County Unions  
California Contract Cities Association  
Independent Cities Association  
League of California Cities  
City Managers Associations  
Buddy Program Participants